## **HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 665**

## By Lamberth

A RESOLUTION to confirm the appointment of Fred Lowery to the board of trustees of Tennessee Technological University.

WHEREAS, Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 49-8-101, provides for the governance of Tennessee Technological University by a board of trustees; and

WHEREAS, Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 49-8-201, provides that the governor shall appoint eight (8) members to the board of trustees of Tennessee Technological University; and

WHEREAS, Governor Bill Lee has appointed Fred Lowery to the board of trustees of Tennessee Technological University for a term that will expire June 30, 2020; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Lowery serves as senior vice president and president of life sciences solutions and laboratory products at Thermo Fisher Scientific, the world leader in serving science, and was recently appointed to the DuPont board of directors; and

WHEREAS, an alumnus of Tennessee Tech who attended the university on a football scholarship, Mr. Lowery has made it his mission to help Tennessee Tech's Ethnic Diversity Scholarship Initiative reach its goal of \$2 million; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Lowery established a scholarship to encourage students from his alma mater, Austin-East High School, to attend Tennessee Tech and the Chi Lambda Chapter Omega Psi Phi Fraternity Scholarship to attract more black male students to the university; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Lowery is a person of integrity who brings a strong commitment to the citizens of Tennessee; and

WHEREAS, Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 49-8-201, provides that each member appointed by the governor to the board of trustees of Tennessee Technological University shall be confirmed by the general assembly; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED ELEVENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that this body confirms the appointment of Fred Lowery to the board of trustees of Tennessee Technological University for a term that will expire June 30, 2020.